



TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR

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PROPERTY TAXES DUE April 12th

***TAXPAYERS GRANTED 2-DAY EXTENSION
TO MAKE TAX PAYMENTS !!***

Multiple Locations, Extended Hours, and

County Treasurer-Tax Collector Dan McAllister issued a reminder today to all San Diego County property owners that the second installment of their 2003-04 property taxes is due **Monday April 12th**. McAllister noted that taxpayers have an extra 2 days to pay their bill because the normal due date, April 10th, falls on a Saturday this year.

"The law is very clear that when the due date for property taxes falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the County Treasurer-Tax Collector has the right to extend the due date to the next business day," McAllister said. "Since April 10th falls on Saturday which is not a regular business day, I felt it would be helpful to County taxpayers to extend the due date to Monday, April 12th."

To make the payments of property taxes as easy as possible, McAllister noted that a special **downtown tax tent**, located at the south end of the County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, will be set up for Friday April 9th and Monday April 12th to help speed the payment process for citizens. As an added service to taxpayers, McAllister said that he is extending the service hours at the "tax tent" and all of his branch locations on April 12th **only**. The office will be open that day from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. with all locations accepting payments.

Treasurer-Tax Collector branch offices are co-located with the County Assessor in **San Marcos** at 334 Via Vera Cruz, #150, behind "Restaurant Row"; **El Cajon** at 200 S. Magnolia Avenue; **Chula Vista** at 590 Third Avenue; and **Kearny Mesa**, at 9225 Clairemont Mesa

Boulevard.

e-Payment Options Available

As a “smart alternative” to paying taxes in person, McAllister indicated taxpayers could mail payments or make use of several electronic payment options. To pay over the Internet using Visa or Electronic Check, sign on to the Treasurer-Tax Collector’s web site at www.sdtreastax.com, and follow the prompts to the pay-by-Internet system. Property taxes can also be paid over the phone with a credit card. To pay by Discover card, call (619) 236-2330; to pay by Visa call (619) 685-2646. Convenience fees are charged by the various vendors for all such services. The specific fees are disclosed prior to completion of a transaction.

Fire Victim Assistance

The “Application for Reassessment of Property Damaged by Misfortune or Calamity”, is available on the County Assessor’s website at www.sdarcc.com or call the Assessor’s Main Office at (858) 505-6262, in East County at (619) 401-5700, in North County at (760) 940-6868 and in Chula Vista at (619) 498-2200.

Info Line Availability

Those who haven’t received a tax bill, or need more information, can call the Treasurer-Tax Collector’s 24-hour automated information line at (619) 236-2424.

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